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U. S. Largest Cement Buyer

Building Construction and Highways Big Users Of Material.

WASHINGTON.—Uncle Sam's recent purchase of 23,520,000 sacks of cement to build the Shasta dam in California has called attention to the fact that the United States is now the largest producer and consumer of portland cement in the world.

"It is difficult to visualize the volume of cement used in such a project as the Shasta dam," says the National Geographic society.

"The sacks, laid end to end, would extend more than one-third way around the world at the Equator—8,540 miles, greater than the distance from London to Singapore. This same amount of cement would construct a 20-foot highway from New York to Los Angeles, 2,400 miles.

"In the past 30 years the government has built more than 55 dams rising to heights of from 24 feet to 727 feet, for irrigation, power, and flood control. The amount of cement used in these vast projects is enormous, yet dam building figures but a part of the country's cement consumption.

Discovery an Accident.

"The most extensive use of portland cement in the United States today is in building construction, which consumes about 24 per cent of domestic production. Highways and street paving consume about 23 per cent. Dams and waterfront developments take 14 per cent; residences, 10 per cent.

"Great advances have been made in cement making since 1824, when England granted a patent for 'portland cement' to Joseph Aspdin, a bricklayer of Leeds. The cement was named from its resemblance to the building stone of the Isle of Portland, a rocky limestone peninsula on the southern coast of England. Aspdin built a bottle-shaped kiln at Wakefield, 10 miles from Leeds, where he fired a mixture of finely ground limestone and clay. This early cement was used in building the Thames tunnel, in 1828.

"Cement is used solely as a binding material, just as mortar is used as a bond in laying brick. In concrete, the cement binds the particles of gravel and sand together. It was while trying to develop a bond for masonry stronger than lime mortar that Aspdin discovered cement.

"Today, the limestone is crushed by large gyratory or roll crushers, mixed with the other raw materials, and then pulverized. This mixture is put into cylindrical kilns roasted at a temperature of from 2,400 to 2,800 degrees Fahrenheit.

"The intense heat combines the various ingredients chemically into cement clinkers. The clinkers are mixed with heavy steel oval-shaped globules and are pulverized by rotary grinders into portland cement. The cement is then tested for fineness, setting, soundness, strength, and chemical analysis.

First U. S. Mill in 1872.

"Oil or gas is sometimes used to fire the kilns. If coal is used in producing the 5,330,000 barrels of cement for Shasta dam, it will require 367,500 tons of coal, in addition to 1,440,000 tons of limestone and 396,800 tons of clay or shale. Altogether 2,199,120 man-hours of labor will be required to make this Shasta dam cement.

"The first cement mill in the United States was built in 1872, in Pennsylvania. By 1890 there were 16 cement plants which produced 335,500 barrels of cement; this was still inadequate to domestic demand and nearly 2,000,000 barrels were imported that year. In 1936 there were 163 plants in the United States which produced 112,396,000 barrels.

"Today, Pennsylvania is the greatest cement-producing state, accounting for more than one-fifth of the country's output, and shipping about three-fourths of this to other states. California is second in production. Cement is produced in 33 other states, the location of mills being largely determined by the adjacence of limestone quarries."

Miss Christine Donohoe is visiting Santa Barbara, where she has taken a cottage at El Encanto Hotel for the duration of her stay. El Encanto Hoted is located on the Riviera and commands a view of the city and of the harbor beyond.

City Mail Delivery Starts Monday

Ciity mail delvery will start on Monday, October 2 (next Monday), to those patrons of the local post office who have provided mail receptacles, and according to Post—master Harry Morey, no mail will be delivered until such mail boxes or receptacles have been provided.

Postmaster Morey also advises all patrons of the local office to see **that their correct house number is used in their address,** and points out that this information can be obtained from the Menlo Park City Hall.

All incoming mail should carry the name, number anr street as well as the city. Collection boxes will be located and placed as soon as they are received from the Post-office Department, and in the mean time the carrier will pick up mail on which the correct postaee is affixed.

Two auxiliary employees will be added to the local Post Office personnel in the persons of Robert J. Stonehouse and James Doherty, as certified by the Civil Service Commission.

Menlo Park has waited for a lon time for this mail delivery service and now that it has arrived it is the expressed hope of the postal employees that patrons of the office will have patience and assist in the work of starting the service as much as possible.

New Laws Protect Property Owners

Two new laws which became effective September 19, will have far-reaching effect in correcting practices by which unscrupulous business operators have profited largely.

Of prime importance to those who have lost their properties through delinquencies is AB 1954 which requires the publication of three notices before tax-deeded properties may be sold. Similar laws were twice passed by the California Legislature and twice vetoed by former Governor Frank F. Merriam.

By reason of Governor Culbert L. Olson's signature to this measure, it no longer will be possible to arrange virtually private sales of tax deeded properties at which the purchasers buy up these properties at virtually their own price.

Under AB 1954, which amends section 3897 of the Political Code, it is mandatory to advertise in a newspaper of general circulation in the township where the property is located three notices of the proposed sale. These notices must be at least a week apart prior to the sale.

Thus any property owner, who has lost his property through tax delinquency, will be adequately notified when it comes up for sale and may repurchase it if he is in a financial position to do so. Likewise, it will increase the state revenue from such sales by virtue of the fact that such sales will be widely advertised and desirable properties will, by their very nature, draw competitive bidding.

The second law, will give creditors a protection they long have sought in respect to bulk sales. Under the new law, AB 48, amending section 3440 of the Civil Code, notice of intention to sell or chattel mortgage stock in trade, in bulk, or a substantial part thereof, other than in the ordinary course of trade will require publication of a notice of such transaction.

At least seven days before such sale, transfer, assignment or the mortgaging of such property, a notice will have to be recorded with the county recorder in the county or counties in which the property is located. Subsequently, not less than two days before the transaction, a formal notice must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the township where the property is located.

The object of this new law is to protect creditors from fly-by-night concerns of all types which obtain credit on the stock and fixtures in their establishment and then transfer that property without paying the creditors.

At all time and under all circumstances, overcome evil with good.—Mary Baker Eddy.

Our School-News

(By Ann McFaul and Teruko Adachi)

The following children have registered in the kindergarten this week: Richard Meerly, JJohn Lomax, Shirley Tiedmann and Ralph Ring.

As a part of their unit "The Home", the first grade children are compiling a very large scrap book showing the various types of dwellings.

The second grade has welcomed the following new children to their ranks: Russell Chew, Shirley McDermott, Stanley Wingert.

The members of the fourth grade who are to be transferred to Fremont, are joining with the fifth and sixth grades in their study of textiles. Besides library and art work, the children are weaving cotton and wool objects and are growing flax and cotton. Mrs. Laughlin's fourth grade is studying about Japan. In this connection they are making Japanese pottery.

The third grade celebrated their September birthday luncheon under the beautiful oak trees in the school yard, Those people who have birthdays in September are: David Boggini, Robert Carroll and JJimmy Giovanetti. The following are the third grade monitors: Flower arrangement, Letitia Eder and Fayne Frate. Bank, David Boggini. Reporters, Marilou Buchman and Avonne Akey. Fire Marshal, Tom Chew. Door monitors: Peter Hom and Louis Aubert. Papers, Marie Casey and Lew Mitcherr. Librarians, Rita Bettini and Mary Bettini.

IIn the upper grades American Culture is being studied. The seventh grade is studying "Development of America" and the eighth gradue is studying "Romantic California."

BOYS' CLUBS

Two Boys' Clubs were organized in Central School with several purposes i. e. good citizenship, participation in the Y. M. C. A. Athletic League and the building up of student government.

The officers for the older group elected were Augustine DeCampo, President; Henry Chew, Vice President; Lloyd Perrk, Secretary; and JoJseph Ishizaki, Treasurer.

Meetings will be held every other Friday and plans aee bing made for several entertainments. The first will be a fine movies called "The Last Wilderness' which features animals and protection of wild life.

A meeting of the leaders of the Southern Division Y. M. C. A. Athletic League is being called at the home of Tom Badley, Y. M. C. A. Secretary on Thursday night at 8 o'clock to plan the athletic program for the year and also to plan activities for the various clubs in the district.

The local clubs will take an active part in this program and the boys are looking forward to a full season of fun, games and character training. Mr. Tom Badley is full of pep, optimism and ideas for boys clubs and everyon eenjoys his leadership.

Old Bank Buildiug Reported Leased

Mayor James E. Cooper is responsible for the leasing of the old Bank Building on the corner of Santa Cruz avenue and El Camino Real, which is stood vacant for some years since the local branch of the American Trust Company was moved to Redwood City.

While Mayor Cooper could not at this time give the names of those who were leasing the building or the kind of business they intend to conduct, it was still good news to the business circles of the city to know that this building will again be occupied.

According to Mr. Cooper a new roof will be put on the building and other necessary improvements will be made to put it in shape for occupancy.

While the time of occupancy has not been given out it is understod that it will be in the mmediate future.

State Leads Nation In Tax Exempt Automobiles

More publicly owned, tax exempt motor vehicles are operated in California than in any other state, according to a United States Bureau of Public Roads report.

The compilation for 1938 shows 7,890 Federal vehicles operated in California and 27,305 state, county and municipal vehicles. The New York total was higher by about 700 vehicles, but it was noted that the 28,000 total included an unknown number of Federal vehicles in the state, county and municipal classification.

More than 113,000 Federal vehicles of all types and over 274,000 state, county and municipal vehicles are in use throughout the United States. Such motor vehicles in California are provided with "public service" license plates and are exempt from registration fee and license tax payments.

Here AND There

MADERA COUNTY FAIR

Rodeo events with trick riding, roping, and clowning will feature the Madera County Fair at Madera October 5 to 8. Other events will include street dancing and shows, a pageant, and an old-timers' parade.

BUTTE COUNTY FAIR

Carnival attractions, dancing, and free entertainment features will mark the Butte County Fair at Paradise October 11 to 15. The Fair will be held in the Memorial Building and will be open from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily.

SAN BENITO COUNTY FAIR

Bolado Park, nine miles from Hollister, will be the scene of the San Benito County Fair October 6 to 8. Exhibits will present a varied summary of the county's livestock and agricultural industry.

State Will Send Out Auto Tax Bills

Better news! Director Howard Philbrick of the California Motor Vehicle Department announces that the State's more than two million car-owners will receive notices of their "in lieu" taxes through the mail, as usual. It had been proposed to make every motorist his own assessor this year, but it's very probable that the cost of the added delay and confusion would have exceeded the savings. The return to the former custom of mailing out tax notices gives motorists one job the less to perform. Now all they have to worry about is finding the money to pay the tax!

The Menlo Park Presbyterian Church will join with other churches of all denominations in the observance of "World Wide Communion Sunday October 1, at the morning service at 11 o'clock. All Christian people not identified with some other church are cordially invited to join in this significant service of world wide fellowship.

Circumstances never made the man do right who didn't do right in spit of them.—Courson Kernahan.

Council Transacts Important Business

Three major problems were the features of the city council meeting last Tuesday evening and made a likely session of the affair. An ordinance calling for a speciol $10.00 bond issue to be voted on on November 7 was introduced, $5000 worth of work to be done on Middle avenue street project and consideration in the matter of granting the Pacific Gas and Electric Co a power franchies were the matters taken up.

The ordanince, calling a special election November 7 to obtain consent for a $40,000 park improvement project, was read for the first time. Provisions of the $10,000 bond issue which will be floated with the consent of the voters provides for redemption within 10 years and fixing the rate of interest to not exceed five per cent. The Works Projects Administration will be asked for aid in the sum of $30,000.

Plans and specifications, already approved by the state division of highways, for the widening, grading and improving of Middle avenue, was adopted.

The proposal of the PG&E Co. to pay the city annually one per cent of its profits from gas and electric revenues, as well as the sum of $1,300, in consideration of the granting of an indeterminate franchise was submitted to the city attorney for detailed study.

The council concurred with recommendations for the planning commission approving two new tracts. One for a subdivision of approximately 10 acres near Santa Cruz avenue for the building of new homes;; it involves the sale of lots, contingent upon instalation of sewers, utilities and streets. The other is for the construction of 8 homes located near Valparaiso avenue.

MENUHIN CONCERT PROMISES SELLOUT

The Fourth Annual San Jose Concert Series will open on Friday evening of next week, October 6, with a recital by the fabled violinist, Yehudi Menuhin. It is expected that the great auditorium of San Jose will be packed to the doors and stage, for the season ticket sale has been heavier than ever before known in San Jose. Further, the Concert Series marks the opening of the San Jose social musical season, and formals and evening gowns will be part of the brilliance of the evening.

Menuhin plays on a $100,000 Stradivarius violin, given him on his twelfth birthday by Henry Goldman, a music lover of New York, who had smuggled it in from Russia. The violin is known as the "Khevenhueller", since it was made for the Princess Khevenhueller of Vienna in 1733.

Lily Pons, the world's greatest coloratura soprano, will make the second event of the San Jose Concert Series on October 26, and Rubenstein, phenomenal pianist, on January 20, and Marian Anderson on February 29 will complete the Series. All concerts are presented by the Denny-Watrous Management, sponsored by the To Kalon Club, and given in the civic auditorium.

PLAY SAFE

WHEN A POLICEMAN stopped a woman who had just run across the street against a red light the other day, she protested:

"I can take care of myself."

"Sure!", said the traffic officer, "but some of the youngsters who saw you might try the same thing ——and they can't take care of themselves!"

The sight of adults crossing in the middle of the block or walking against a red light breaks down good pedestrian habits the youngsters are taught in school.

The National Safety Council asks you to think of these youngsters the next time you are tempted to risk your own life in traffic.

SAN MATEO COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

Realty Men Not For Ham And Eggs

That the Ham and Eggs measure, appearing as Proposition No.1 on the ballot of the special election, Nov 7, was impractical and certain to wreck the entire economic structure of the state should it become a law, was the statement of Charles A. Pugh, prominent member of the San Jose Realty Board, and chairman of the organization's Ham and Eggs committee which recently investigated the bill, resulting in the board's resolution unanimously condemning it.

Besides declaring that the provisions of the bill were despotic and ruinous, Pugh said:

"Its utter failure from a purely business standpoint is plainly evident when we consider that insurace agents and realtors have received notice from the companies as well as from property owners that they cannot and will not accept such worthless paper as 30-Thursday warrants in payment for insurance and rents.

"Then there are the Federal Housing premiums — monthly payments which must be made not only on time but with recognized United States money. These payments could not be made should the bill pass.

"These are but two of the many vital drawbacks which should guide the average man and woman to vote against this destructive measure. The Real Estate association of this city as well as the state organization is greatly disturbed over it, since it threatens to wipe out real financial values as well as plunge California into a condition of chaos."

GARDENERS TO GIVE BIG CARD PARTY OCT. 6

The Menlo Park Horticultural Society will hold a card party in the Central School Auditorium next Friday evening, October 6. IIt is reported that a fine string of awards for high scores have been secured and a good time is promised to all who attend the affair. Rumor has it that many of the awards will be beautiful potted and cut flowers as well as other useful things.

The circumstances of others seem good to us, while ours seem good to others.—Publilius Syrus.

SPECIAL THIS WEEK . . . .

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Prunes by the million will be featured on Sunsweet Day at Treasure Island on October 11. The California Prune and Apricot Growers' Association plan on making this date one of the red letter days of the Golden Gate International Exposition. Fifty free gift packages will be given away and in addition there will be free prunes for all. An added feature will be the Sunsweet Revue, with a cast of fifty, to be presented in Festival Hall. Leaders of the prune industry will be the guests for the day of the California Commission for the Exposition in whose Agriculture Hall is located the beautiful Sunsweet display. The Sunsweet beauty is Florence Gayle.

RALLY DAY EXERCISES HELD AT LOCAL CHURCH

Rally Day exercises were held last Sunday morning in the Menlo Park Presbyterian Sunday School with 103 in attendance. Special program features were given, participated in by the Beginners and Primary Department, by Mary Walters, Joan Wild, Louise Careillo, Carl Feldman, Glen Smith, Richard Clark, Phyllis McMurray, Mrs. Bearce, Miss Arlene Wood, Vincent Cleveland, Mr. J. R. Froli and the Rev. E. J. Clark.

Scholars were promoted to the next higher appropriate grade and a program of advance outlined by the pastor was inauurated which will have as goals a 10 per cent increase in the enrollment, and at least a 10 per cent increase in regular attendance. A contest to stimulate renewed interest will also be begun this month.

ELLEN ANN EVENS HONORED AT OREGON UNIVERSITY

University of Oregon, Eugene, Sept. 28 — (Special) Ellen Ann Evans of Menlo Park, California, was pledged to Kappa Alpha Theta sorority this week after five days of Greek letter organization "rushing" came to a close at the University of Oregon.

A record enrollment ,which also includes more students from out of state than ever before, was reported for the University this fall. Students from out of the state have shown special interest in the univedsity's nationally-known schools of architesture and arts, journalism, physical education, business administration, education and law. A new million dollar building program just compleeted has also given the institution complete facilities for all types of instruction.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE INVITING SEALED PROPOSALS FOR HIGHWAY LIGHTING IN MENLO PARK LIGHTING DISTRICT OF SAN MATEO COUNTY.

Pursuant to Statute and to the order adopted on the 19th day of September, 1939, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, directing this notice, said Board invites and the undersigned will receive at his office at Redwood City, in said County, up to the hour of 11 o'clock a. m., on Tuesday, the 17th day of October, 1939, sealed proposals or bids for illumination by means of electric energy and lamps on the public highways in said Lighting District, the kind and character of lamps required being the following, to-wit:

OUTSIDE INCORPORATED CITY LIMITS

37—100 candle power street lights with refractors.
34—250 candle power street lights with refractors.
1—600 candle power street light with refractor.

INSIDE INCORPORATED CITY LIMITS

72—100 candle power street lights with refractors.
35—250 candle power street lights with refractors.
1—400 candle power street light with refractor.
8—600 candle power street lights with refractors under 200' spacing.
14—600 candle power ornamental brackets with refractors over 200' spacing.
22—600 candle power ornamental brackets with refractors.
12—600 candle power electroliers—all night.
7—250 candle power electroliers—all night.

Bidders must file with each proposal or bid a check payable to the order of the Board of Supervisors of said County, certified by a responsible bank for an amount which shall not be less than ten (10) per cent of the aggregate of the bid made, conditioned that the successful bidder will, if awarded the contract, enter into it and upon the performance therefor within 90 days from date of such award and will faithfully perform the same.

The contract will be awarded to the lowest resposnnsible bidder, provided that the rates bid and to be paid shall not exceed at any time the rate paid by said County for highway lighting in other portions of said County. The rate to be paid will not be fixed for a term in excess of five years. The Board reserves the right to abrogate any such contract whenever gas or electric current is offered to be supplied at two-thirds of such fixed price.

Dated, Redwood City, California, September 19, 1939.

W. H. AUGUSTUS,
County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo.

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Lights of New York

By L. L. STEVENSON

War between the police and New York's army of peddlers is never-ending. Peddlers are licensed by the city. But there are certain districts which the law says they must not invade. Also there are those who would peddle without a license. All are men out to make a living. Nonpayments of license fees means more profits. So do excursions into forbidden territory. Competition is less keen there. The police are charged with the duty of enforcing the law. Hence many peddlers are escorted to police stations and from there to a magistrate's court. Sometimes the street in front of the old Forty-seventh street station, in the heart of the Tenderloin, resembles a section of the lower East Side. That's because so many push-cart peddlers have run afoul of the law. While they are inside, their stocks remain outside. That isn't so good for perishables. It's all the worse because usually the peddlers haven't $2 for a fine so they go to jail for a day.

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At this season, the beaches are one of the main battle fronts between the law and prohibited commerce. Peddlers are forbidden to do business on the beaches. Refuse from their wares clutters up the sands. Also concessionnaires, who have paid real money for their locations, object to the intruders. Bathers and sun bathers rather favor the peddlers. But that makes no difference to the police. Usually, rather than make arrests, the police merely chase the peddlers. When the coast seems clear, the peddlers return. Thus, perpetual motion of a sort. If the peddlers don't get caught, they may make a fair day's wage. If they do get caught, they sit behind bars for a day. That's hard for ice-cream salesmen. The cops don't object to men making a living. But they have to obey orders.

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Recently an ice-cream peddler at Orchard beach thought he could outsmart the law. When he saw an officer bearing down on him, he jumped into a boat, thumbed his nose and picked up the oars. The cop commandeered another boat and proved to be the better oarsman. So the peddler spent a day in jail. The matter wasn't to end there, however. The next day, a whole fleet of boats with outboard motors waited within the life lines. It looked as if the peddlers had scored a point. But as usual, they lost out. The policemen merely telephoned for a police launch—and police launches are fast. Peddling at Orchard beach isn't popular or profitable just now.

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Many New York cigarette smokers are rolling their own at present. The three-cent tax is the cause. Last year, the city imposed a cent a package tax to raise funds for relief purposes. The penny tax brought in about $7,000,000. The tax didn't work any hardship on smokers since most tobacco dealers absorbed it. But the state legislature, at the last session couldn't let such a golden opportunity pass. So a tax of two cents a package was slapped on. When that took effect, prices of cigarettes jumped three cents a pack. Dealers in New York city complained that their business would be ruined unless the city knocked off its tax. No action was taken, however.

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The result was a decrease in cigarette business in New York and a big increase over in New Jersey. On cigarettes in that state, there is only one tax, the internal revenue levy. Stores advertised postage-paid bargains in New York newspapers. Roadside stands sprang up along all roads leading to the city. Trucks stopped at vantage points and drivers peddled cigarettes. Filling stations also added stocks. A crimp was put into the roadside business by the law, however. Federal law requires that each tobacco seller must register with the collector of internal revenue and post a $500 bond. Then there is a state law which prohibits the vending of tickets or goods on a highway.

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Commuters, especially those who drive to work, bring in hundreds of cartons daily. Some increase their earnings in that manner. Most of the bootlegging, however, is done merely as a favor. In many offices, Jersey residents keep their fellow workers supplied with tax-free smokes.

FOR SALE — On Highway, in center of Menlo Park business district. A bargain at $1500, Menlo Park Realty Co., 1055 Doyle street, Phone 21832.

No Left Turn Here!



FAIR SCHOOL TOURS WILL BE RENEWED

"Every school child in California should, if at all possible, visit the Golden Gate International Exposition."

Thus declared Major John P. Nourse, Superintendent of Schools for the city and county of San Francisco, in approval of the Fall School Tours recently announced by the Fair.

"The educational exhibits and displays on Treasure Island offer a liberal education which is invaluable as a visual supplement to classroom work", Major Nourse said.

"The School Tours sponsored by the Exposition bring this education within the financial scope of the majority of California's students, and all school officials should, for the best interests of their students, include a trip to Treasure Island in the Fall school program."

The School Tours, effective November 3, offer minimum cost rates to school children. Special scrip tickets have already been mailed to school officials in 42 California counties, and the response has been enthusiastic.

Two types of scrip tickets are being offered: children 12 years or under will be admitted to Treasure Island for a dime plus a scrip coupon. A coupon and ten cents will admit them to the Palace of Fine Arts, and a coupon and 15 cents will be good for the matinee performance of the Cavalcade of the Golden West, and for a Gray Line conducted walking tour of Treasure Island.

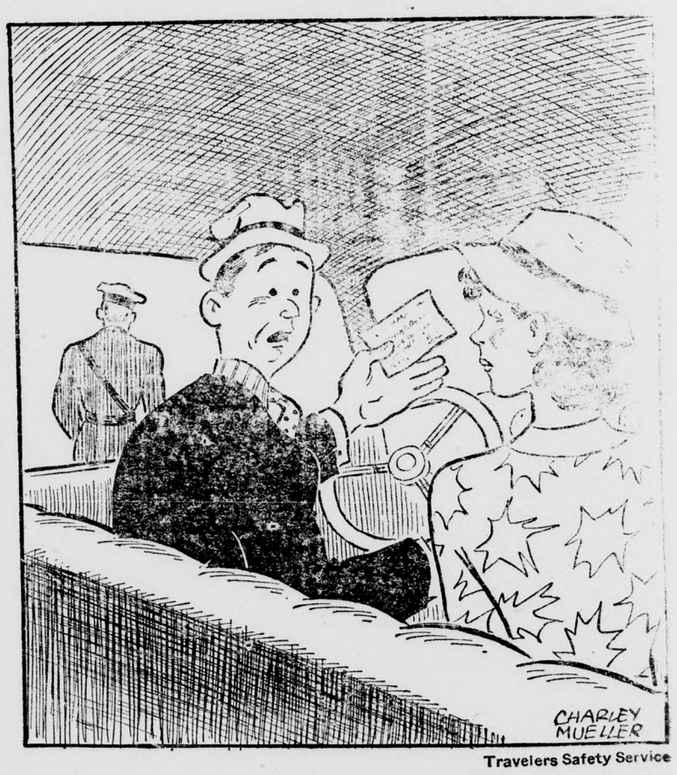
Junior scrip tickets, for children 13 to 18 years, include 25 cents admission to Treasure Island, 15, cent admission to the Cavalcade of the Golden West, the Palace of Fine Arts, and a 15 cent rate for the Gray Line walking tour. Teacher escorts may use the Junior scrip tickets. In either case, the children pay only for the scrip coupons they use.

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Twenty-eight members of the Menlo Park Lions Club journeyed to Sunnyvale last week and enjoyed a talk by Major Hardy at Moffet Field. IIt is reported that the Army boys figured on dinner for 180 but did a most excellent job of feeding 278.

OUR FELLOW DRIVERS

By Mueller



Travelers Safety Service

"What a guy! He stops me to ask what time it is, and because my brakes don't hold he gives me a ticket!"

American Boy Magazine Companion To Thousands

Hundreds of thousands of boys and young men read THE AMERICAN BOY Magazine every month I made our school basketbal team and consider it more as a living companion than as a magazine.

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Our Churches

Christian Science Church Services

First Church of Christ, Scientist Byrant Street and Forest Avenue Palo Alto. Sunday Services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

Wednesday evening meetings at 8 o'clock.

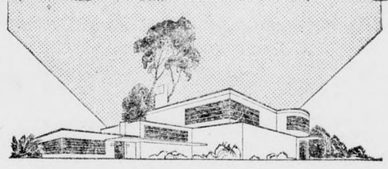
"There is that maketh himself rich, yet hath nothing: there is that maketh himself poor, yet hath great riches." These words from Proverbs comprise the Golden Text to be used Sunday, October 1, in all Churches of Christ, Scientist branches of The Mother Church The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

The subject of the Lesson-Sermon will be "Unreality." Included among the Scriptural selectons wll be: "From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members? Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, becaus ye ask not. Ye ask, and receive not, consume it upon your lusts. . . . Subbecause ye ask amiss, that ye may mit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you" (JJames 4: 1—3, 7).

The following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, will also be included: "To gain Christian Science and its harmony, life should be more metaphysically regarded. The broadcast powers of evil so conspicuous today show themselves in the materialism and sensualism of the age, struggling against the advancing spiritual era"

MONTHLY PAYMENT

LOANS*



To Buy and Build Homes



To Remodel Homes
AND OTHER EXISTING STRUCTURES



To Buy Automobiles



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Happiness Perennial

WHO has not noticed the hardihood of certain plants which withstand the coldest winters and in the spring put forth buds and flowers? The cold does not injure them. And under the warm sunshine they respond to the call of spring!

True happiness is like that. It endures under unfavorable conditions, and springs up continually anew. Its extraordinary vitality is explained by the fact that it reflects the nature of God. "Happiness is spiritual, born of Truth and Love," writes Mary Baker Eddy on page 57 of the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures." Even human happiness, in its highest sense, hints at the qualities of the divine. . . .

Happiness is as natural as sunlight. It needs no forcing. To possess it, we have only to look for it where it is—in the sunshine of Truth and Love. . . . The Psalmist sang (Psalms 103:20, 21): "Bless the Lord, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word. Bless ye the Lord, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure." The greatest happiness is to know and do God's will, and everyone can have a share in this.

Mrs. Eddy writes (Science and Health, p. 298), "When the real is attained, which is announced by Science, joy is no longer a trembler, nor is hope a cheat." One who has found happiness in Truth and Love does not fear that he will lose it. The darkest clouds of seeming sorrow pass, and joy appears when thought has in a measure discerned the limitless bliss of living in Soul, God. To contemplate the clouds of error or affirm their presence makes them seem darker and more real. The writer had her first glimpse of a happiness that is "no longer a trembler," that is independent of human relationships and circumstances, after an instantaneous healing of a serious disease. She was lifted in a few moments from agony to perfect comfort, and a sense of happiness new in her experience. She found herself repeating over and over, for days, these words: "The knowledge of God is happiness enough for me." And so it has proved during the succeeding years. Enduring satisfaction always follows the perception of spiritual bliss. . . .

Even though discordant voices of sense, seeming to be real and strong, may silence it for a time, harmony remains, for it alone is real, and discord is unreal. Those who have discerned the fact of immutable harmony nave had a great burden lifted from their hearts. No longer do they have to try to be cheerful and assume an appearance of optimism. If hard experiences come and prospects are discouraging, or if sad memories persist, they patiently endure until the clouds lift, refusing to be cast down. To mourn for that which is unreal would be like groping one's way in the bright sunshine while keeping one's eyes closed. Divine Love, compassionate and tender, is ever ready to lead one safely through the seeming night of sorrow until he sees the light of reality.

A sense of sadness sometimes becomes habitual, so that the sufferer almost fears to be a normal, happy individual. Such a one will find that the moment he glimpses his unity with God, sorrow is seen to be abnormal, and happiness within his reach. "God's being is infinity, freedom, harmony, and boundless bliss" (*ibid.*, p. 481). Self-pity dissolves as one meditates upon this great vision of reality. . . . —*The Christian Science Monitor.*

(p. 65).

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Philadelphia Church Services For Week

Masonic Temple, Menlo Park
Gospel Meetings

Sunday, 10 a. m., Sunday School.
11 a. m. Morning service.
7:30 p. m. Communion service in Menlo Park.

Wednesday night at 8 o'clock, Healing Service. Come and bring the sick. Everybody is invited to attend all of these services.

Joseph Ystrom, Pastor.

Thinity Episcopal Church Announcements

420 Oak Grove Avenue, Menlo Park

The Reverend Charles Edward Fritz, M. A., B. D., Rector.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

8:00 a. m. — Holy Communion. Presentation of the United Thank offering by members of the Woman's Auxiliary.

9:30 and 11:00 a. m. — Church School in the Parish House on Laurel avenue.

11:00 — Holy Communion and sermon. The Rector will preach on "The Church and Her Sacraments." For the offertory Mr. Peter Helfert will sing "Ave Maria."

Tuesday, 3 to 5 p. m., Silver tea at the Rectory in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the U. T. O.

Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., Bible class for men and women at the Rectory.

Friday, 4:00 p. m., confirmation instruction in the Church.

October 9th, 11:00 a. m., Diocesan U. T. O. service at St. Paul's church in Salinas.

MENLO PARK PPRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NOTES FOR WEEK

Church notes for October first, 1939.

9:45 a. m.—Sunday school, Mrs. E. J. Clark, Superntendent.

The Advance Contest begins today.

11:00 a. m.—Morning worship. World wide Communion is being observed. Communion Meditation — "The Magnetic Christ." sentials."

6:30 p. m.— Christian Endeavor meetnggs Seniors and Intermediates.

7:30 p. m.—Evening service .Sermon subject: "The Marks of a Christian."

Rev. Eldred J .Clark, Minister.

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Corner Spencer avenue and Grant street, San Jose.

Sunday Services:

Church School, 9:45 a. m.
Morning service 11 o'clock.
Evening worship at 8 o'clock.

Prayer Service:

Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, the regular prayer service will be held in the church.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

C. A. Kress, Pastor.

Charting of Gulf Stream By Franklin Is Revealed

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. — Benjamin Franklin didn't spend all his spare time flying kites. He also made maps.

University of Minnesota geology students have discovered it was Franklin who first solved the troublesome problem of how to get around the Atlantic's gulf stream.

That was once a serious problem for sailing ships bound to the colonies from England, because the strong ocean current greatly reduced their speed.

The old Quaker consulted an old Nantucket whaler who knew "every ripple in the Atlantic," and then made maps under the whaler's supervision.

EVENING HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT GOING UP

From an enrollment of 100 on the opening night, the Sequoia Union high school night classes have steadily increased, with the number of adults now enrolled being 375.

Forty-five classes are now in progress, most of which commence at 7:30 and last until 9:30.

Two new closses were started last week: flower arrangement and practical home-gardening.

Total number of teachers is 21.

SIDNEY GUTTERMAN HONORED AT UNIVERSITY

Sidney Gutterman, former Sequoia Union high school student gained scholastic recognition upon his graduation recently "That is given to only 15 per cent of the graduating class." This was revealed in a letter received recently by Principal A. C. Argo from J. P. Mitchell, registrar at Stanford university.

Sidney, brother of Morris Gutterman, Sequoia senior, graduated with the Cherokee class of '35.

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Scillas—Resemble small Hyacinths.

Muscari—Also called "Grape Hyacinths"—good for blue border.

Freesias—For color and fragrance.

Galanthus—Also called "Snowdrops".

Anemones—Brilliant colors, from February to April.

Ranunculus—Long lasting cut flowers. Be careful to plant the bulbs with the prongs down. Both the Anemone and Ranunculus bulbs should be soaked for two hours before planting.

Transplant any Perennial Plants

desired in different locations, such as Canterbury Bells, Dianthus, Primroses and Shasta Daisies.

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF MENLO PARK, STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the office of the City Clerk at the City Hall, City of Menlo Park, California, until 8:00 o'clock, P. M. on October 10, 1939 at which time they will be publicly opened and read for performing work as follows:

Grading and paving Middle Avenue between El Camino Real (State Highway 101 Route 2) and Arbor Road, about five-tenths (0.5) miles in length.

No bid will be received unless it is made on a proposal form furnished by the City Engineer. Each bid must be accompanied by cash, certified check or bidder's bond, made payable to the City of Menlo Park for an amount equal to at least ten (10) per cent of the amount bid, such guaranty to be forfeited should the bidder to whom the contract is awarded fail to enter into the contract.

In accordance with provisions of Section 1770 of the Labor Code the City Council has ascertained the general prevailing rate of wages applicable to the work to be as follows:

Classification	Rate per Hour
Blade grader operator (finished work)	$1.50
Brick layer	1.75
Grader operator	1.50
Hod carrier	1.25
Mechanic	1.12½
Roller operator	1.50
Tractor driver	1.50
Truck driver over 20,500 lbs. capacity	1.15
Truck driver 15,500 to 20,500 lbs. capacity	1.07
Truck driver 6,500 to 15,500 lbs. capacity	1.00
Header-board man	.75
Oil distributor bootman	.75
Pipe layer	.82
Truck driver 4,500 to 6,500 lbs. capacity	.93
Truck driver 2,500 to 4,500 lbs. capacity	.86
Truck driver less than 2,500 lbs. capacity	.79
Laborer	.75
Watchman	.75

The minimum wage to all unskilled labor for which rates are not shown above shall be not less than seventy-five ($0.75) cents per hour. Over time—double the above rates. Sundays and holidays (except watchmen, guards and flagmen) double the above rates.

All bids are to be compared on the basis of the City Engineer's estimate of the quantities of work to be done.

No bid will be accepted from a contractor who has not been licensed in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 791, Statutes of 1929, as amended.

Proposal forms, plans and specifications may be obtained at the office of the City Clerk of Menlo Park, City Hall, Menlo Park.

The City of Menlo Park reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

DATER:—September 26, 1939.

CITY OF MENLO PARK,
EDWIN H. SMITH,
City Engineer.

First publication in Menlo Park Recorder, Friday, September 29, last publication Friday, October 6, 1939.

College Head Tells Possible War Entry

Both Stalin and Mussolini are playing waiting parts, with Russia the key to the whole European problem, believes Dr. William Poytress, head of the San Jose State College social science department.

Pointing out the political strategy of the two, Dr. Poytress declared that the cagey Stalin is playing safe and blocking Hitler to the southeast, while the smart Mussolini is playing England and France against Germany.

"In fact, Russia wants England France, and Hitler to fight to a showdown— if not I see little sense in the non-aggression pact between Germany and Russia. Stalin is a smart politician, as his past record shows, and has Hitler playing second fiddle right now, just as Mussolini played second fiddle to Hitler."

That Stalin is looking to the future of his communistic policy was opined by Dr. Poytress in pointing out that "Stalin figures to let the other countries fight to a showdown in a three or four years war which would leave Europe in chaos, and then he would find the time ripe— rotten ripe— to step in and spread his communism. At the same time he fould dominate the peace conference.

"As for Mussolini," declares Dr. Poytress, "Hitler's ambitions in the Balkans run against Il Duce, whose chances lie behind the scenes bargaining with England and France, and that is exactly what he is doing.

"Hitler wants Mussolini neutral for if Il Duce goes with the Allies Hitler will be forced to defend another frontier. At the same time Mussolini can't very well go over to Germany's side for the instnat he did so he would find French troops in Italy overnight.

"However, someday soon England and France will force him to a showdown and then he will have to choose, but right now there is no problem in the Mediterranean.

Switching to the United States and probable repeal of the Arms Embargo Act, Dr. Poytress says that the probably will be repealed.

"The President must be pretty certain that it will be repealed or he would not have called a special session of Congress," he said.

That the proposed "cash and carry" revision would favor the Allies was expressed by Dr. Poytress in a statement that England still controls the sea and would prevent Germany from benefitting by the change. "At the same time, if the act isn't revised Germany will profit and England and France will be weakened. The neutrality act, as it stands, or its version as desired by the President, means nothing so far as preventing us from getting into the war is concerned; only the American people themselves can prevent that.

"Personally, I doubt that the United States will allow England and France to be defeated, and if they are in danger of losing I believe sentiment could be whipped up here to go to war."

Commenting on another possibility of the United States entering the conflict, Dr. Poytress called attention to claims that England and France have great gold and bank balances here and large investments totalling approximately three and one-half billion dollars.

He summarized that "the British government is formulating a plan to swap investments for government bonds which would create quite a war time boom and prosperity based on such a boom and bring us up to the 1916 collapse of funds here, and an ensuing depression which might easily push us into the war all the way."

Gasolene Sales Continue To Make Noticable Gains

Continuing gains registered in previous months of 1939, California's gasoline taxes for August reached a total of $4,924,082.73, only $.7,000 less than the all-time high of last June. This was revealed today when the State Board of Equalization announced completion of the assessment of the three cent per gallon tax on 164,136,091 gallons of motor vehicle fuel distributed during the past month.

"This marked increase in highway revenues is attributable in part to seasonal fluctuation", said R. E. Collins, chairman of the equalization board, "but it should be noted that there were 6,051,455 more gallons of motor vehicle fuel taxed last month than in August of 1938. This has meant additional revenue of $181,543.65, marking a gain of 3.82 per cent in road funds.

"This money is supplemented by the use fuel tax collected at the same rate on each gallon of diesel fuel used for highway purposes. Last month the taxes based on such use were in excess of $43,000, bringing the total revenue from motor vehicle levies up to more than $4,967,000.

"Begun in July 1937, pursuant o legtislation adopted upon the recommendation of the State Board of Equalization, the use fuel tax has disclosed steady gains and may soon bring in an annual revenue of at least $500,000. At present there are approximately 1,000 use fuel tax permit holders who operate some 1550 trucks over California roads."

Collins pointed out that none of this revenue, amounting to almost $5,000,000 per month, would be available to relieve the stringency in the State's general fund, observing that, under the constitutional provision adopted in 1938 as recently interpreted by the Attorney General, these funds may be utilized only for road purposes.

WILL BUILD TO SUIT TENANT. Lot 50 by 125 on Curtis near Santa Cruz Avenue. See Mr. ARTINO at CRYSTAL BARBER-SHOP, 1079 Highway, Menlo Park.

Miss Mary Carleton of Menlo Park was hostess at a brigde tea Saturday, September 23rd in the Rose Room Bowl of the Palace Hotel, San Francisco. Among those present were Misses Frances M. Bredlow, Evelyn Cosgrave, Mabel Holtz, Doreen Cannon, of Millbrae; Mesdames Melvin C. Bredlow, Frank C. Galli and Georgina Galli.

Put yourself in harmony with the things among which your lot is cast; love those with whom you have your position.—Marcus Aurelius.

New buildings and improvements on the Sequoia Union high school campus will be completed this fall. The shop building will be completed October first, while the interior of the new library is expected to be finished today and the exterior two weeks later.

The Federal overnment has supplied WPA labor while the school supplied mateerials. Tota cost of the two buildings is approximately $223,000 of which the school district will pay $56,000. The rest will be financed by the government.

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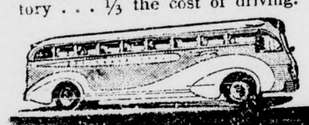


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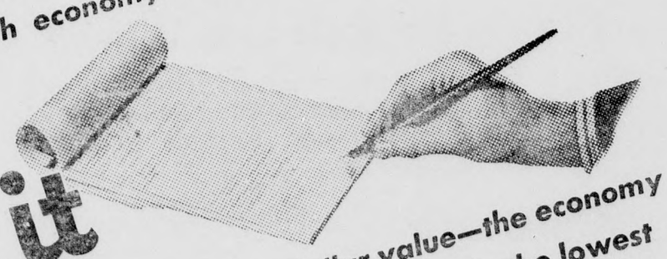
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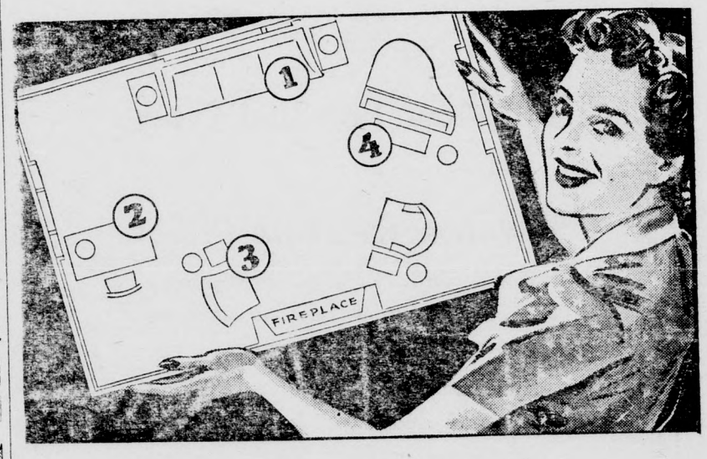
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